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Tripoli's 726 to Department and Department's 7676 to London.

Embassy has discussed matter with Pitt-Hardacre and Shagluf emphasizing it imperative notes be signed prior July 1. They assured Embassy that Ben Halim understands this but stated Ben Halim preferred sign note himself upon return Tripoli, predating it if necessary. Embassy pointed out risks inherent in such procedure and both Pitt-Hardacre and Shagluf agreed Gallal should be instructed to sign note. They will see Ben Halim tonight, explain situation and urge him telegraph appropriate instructions to Gallal Monday, June 25. They think Ben Halim will readily agree and that, in view fact that Pitt-Hardacre left draft Libyan reply to US note with Gallal, there should be no difficulty.

Pitt-Hardacre assured Embassy that text of US note (Tripoli 726) entirely acceptable to Libya.

Embassy will keep in close touch with Libyan Embassy and Ben Halim's party to insure no hitches occur.

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Mr. Allen's office (NEA) notified 6/22/1:12 p. m. EMB (CWO)

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